Exhibit A

Statement Under 37 CFR § 3.73(b) Applicant/Patent Owner: Microscan Systems, Inc. Filed: September 11, 1998 Application No.: 09/151,764 Issued: March 1, 2005 Patent No.: 6,860,428 B1 **OPTICAL SYMBOLOGIES IMAGER** Entitled: Microscan Systems, Inc. corporation (Name of Assignee) (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.) states that it is: 1. [X] the assignee of the entire right, title and interest; or 2. [] an assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest. %) (The extent (by percentage) of its ownership interest is _ in the patent application/patent identified above by virtue of either: An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at or for which a copy thereof is attached. Reel , Frame OR A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application/patent identified above, to the B. [X] current assignee as shown below: To: Robotic Vision Systems, Inc. From: <u>Inventors McKinley</u>, Harry R. The document was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at . Frame 0334 __, or for which a copy thereof is attached. Reel 014331 2. From: Inventors Dowling et al. To: Robotic Vision Systems, Inc. The document was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 010354 , Frame 0713 , or for which a copy thereof is attached. 3. From: Robotic Vision Systems, Inc. To: Acuity Cimatrix, Inc. The document was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at , or for which a copy thereof is attached. _____, Frame <u>0879</u> [X] Additional documents in the chain of title are listed on a supplemental sheet. [X] As required by 37 CFR 3.73(b)(1)(i), the documentary evidence of the chain of title from the original owner to the assignee was, or concurrently is being, submitted for recordation pursuant to 37 CFR 3.11. [NOTE: A separate copy (i.e., a true copy of the original assignment document(s)) must be submitted to Assignment Division in accordance with 37 CFR Part 3, to record the assignment in the records of the USPTO. See MPEP 302.08] The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee. Date Signature Bruce R. Scharf 425-226-5700 Printed or Typed Name Telephone Number **Engineering Vice President** Title

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Section B

A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application/patent identified above, to the current assignee as follows:

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